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1. The cost of living in Sofia increased considerably since the first of the year. Some officials estimate the rise to be as much as 20 percent, while the ordinary worker still receives between 250 and 550 leva monthly.
2. The scarcity of eggs is particularly annoying to the population who complain about paying 30 leva for an egg which is sold to the USSR for 5 leva and could be sold to other eastern countries for 15 or 20 l. a.

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